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Reference page 5, para 6. Change as follows: The Communists probably may estimate that the Korean war could be made to exert a divisive influence on the Western Powers and that at least during 1953 the UN/US is unlikely to may not commit the military strength in the Far East necessary to drive the Communists from Korea. At the same time, the Communists probably believe that the UN/US will take actions during 1953 which will increase the costs and risks of the Korean war for the Communists. Under such circumstances it is possible that the Communists may view continuation of the Korean war as carrying with it disadvantages that outweigh the advantages deriving from its possible divisive influence. In particular the Communists may view the Korean war as an undue stimulant to the Western mobilization effort.

Reference page 6, para 7. Change as follows: We believe that the Communist objective eventually to gain control of all Korea will remain unchanged. We also believe, however, that the Communists desire to avoid general war over the Korean issue and that Communist courses of action in Korea will be determined by Communist global interests. We also believe that Communist China currently desires to limit hostilities with the UN/US forces to the Korean issue and that the USSR desires to avoid any expansion of hostilities which would put at risk fundamental strengths of the Soviet Union.

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DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, USAF, FOOTNOTE TO PARA 7, PAGE 6

The Director of Intelligence, USAF, believes that this paragraph should read as follows:

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